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August 16, 2001

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

David Waddell
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243

Re: *BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Entry Into Long Distance (INTERLATA)
Service in Tennessee Pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of
1996*
Docket No. 97-00309

Dear David:

Enclosed please find the original and thirteen copies of a Petition to Intervene filed on behalf of DIECA Communications d/b/a Covad Communications Company in the above-captioned proceeding. A \$25.00 check is enclosed. Please contact me with any questions.

Very truly yours,

BOULT, CUMMINGS, CONNERS & BERRY, PLC

By: *Henry Walker by WCM*
Henry Walker *w/permission*

HW/BC

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

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PETITION TO INTERVENE

DIECA Communications d/b/a Covad Communications Company ("COVAD")
petitions the Authority to intervene as a matter of right in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to
T.C.A. § 4-5-310.

The above-captioned docket concerns the Authority's approval of BellSouth
Telecommunications, Inc.'s ("BellSouth") entry into the long distance business in Tennessee. In
order to receive this approval, BellSouth must demonstrate to the Authority compliance with Section
271(c)(1)(A) and 271(c)(2) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. As a provider of broadband
access services utilizing digital subscriber line technology in Tennessee, Covad purchases network
elements from BellSouth and, therefore, has an interest in compliance with these sections of the
federal act.

Granting this petition will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of these
proceedings. An order granting the petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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ORDER

For good cause shown, the Authority finds that DIECA Communications d/b/a COVAD Communications Company ("COVAD") is entitled to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-310. As a provider of broadband access services utilizing digital subscriber line technology in Tennessee, Covad purchases network elements from BellSouth and, therefore, has an interest in outcome of this proceeding. The petition is therefore GRANTED.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 16th day of August, 2001, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the parties of record, via hand-delivery, overnight delivery or U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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